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SUBJ: PENDING TRIAL OF SISTER JANICE MCLAUGHLIN IN RHODESIA

1. VATICAN FOREIGN MINISTRY OFFICIAL CALLED OFFICE OF SPECIAL ENVOY TODAY TO INFORM US OF THE CASE OF SISTER JANICE MCLAUGHLIN, AN AMERICAN MISSIONARY IN RHODESIA. SISTER JANICE ACCORDING TO THE VATICAN'S INFORMATION WAS AMONG THE SEVEN PERSONS ARRESTED SOME TEN DAYS AGO AND PRESENTLY THE ONLY ONE WHO HAS NOT BEEN RELEASED ON BAIL. SHE WILL BE PUT ON TRIAL SEPTEMBER 13 AND THE VATICAN IS APPROACHING ITS APOSTOLIC DELEGATE IN PRETORIA AND CATHOLIC BISHOP OF SALISBURY IN EFFORT ASSURE FAIR TREATMENT TO SISTER JANICE.

2. DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO ALERT AMCONGEN JOHANNESBURG AND EMBASSY PRETORIA TO CASE. GARDNER UNQUOTE VANCE

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